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OUR BIGGEST WAR SHIP

New York, May 12.—The biggest ship in the American navy slid off the ways today at the New York Navy Yard, when the battleship Florida dropped into the water. Later on when the Arkansas and the Wyoming now under construction are afloat they will exceed the Florida in size by three thousand tons, a difference sufficient to make a pretty good little liner in itself. The Florida herself is by no means finished, for as she went off the ways today she was only about sixty per cent advanced toward completion, which means that she was not much more than a vast empty hull and still awaits all of the thousand boilers and train and secondary engines and armor and equipment that go to make up the ship ready for commission.

Probably there is not a battleship afloat that could tackle the Florida on even terms, when her commander's flag flies from the ungraceful, but for midable, skeleton masts which will be placed upon her, that is, provided the naval designers do not change their minds, as to the utility of this novel feature of marine architecture within the next eighteen months, by which time the Florida should be in commission.

The ship is the first of any real importance to be constructed in a government navy yard for a number of years and naturally her performance will be watched with keen interest by the private shipbuilders, who are now building her sister ship the Utah in Camden, N. J. As a matter of fact the North Dakota built by the Fore River Ship Building Company and the Delaware, constructed at Newport News with the Florida and Utah will make what is described as a unit in naval parlance, meaning that these vessels are practically of the same type and may be expected to operate together in naval warfare. The North Dakota and the Delaware are nearly two thousand tons smaller than the other two vessels, though the armament is practically the same and the smaller vessels indeed are rated at about a quarter of a knot faster.

The Florida is 521 feet six inches long, nearly as long as a city block; her beam is 88 feet 2 1/2 inches; she draws 28 1/2 feet of water and displaces 21,825 tons in light order, while when fully loaded, with her supplies and ammunition she will measure up to 23,033 tons. Her estimated speed is 20 1/2 knots per hour, which would have been regarded a few years ago as the topnotch for a swift unarmored cruiser. She will carry 2,500 tons of coal in her bunkers which should enable her to make the round trip across the Atlantic at half speed. Parsons turbine engines, built in the New York Navy Yard, of the enormous power of 28,000 horse-power will maintain the high speed of this big ship and the steam will be supplied by sectional boilers.

The main battery of the ship will consist of ten twelve-inch rifles arranged in pairs in turrets. Looking at her bow on one would think that

the Florida had what is called superposed or double-decked turrets like the Kearsarge and the Kentucky, but as a matter of fact there are only two guns in each of the five turrets and the second turret in the fore part of the ship is necessarily elevated on a super-structure so as to be able to fire freely over the top of the foremost turret. There is a very formidable secondary battery composed of sixteen five-inch rapid fireers, four three pounders two one pounders and a number of machine guns. There are also two twenty-one-inch submerged tubes for torpedoes.

Just what the armor is to be on these ships the naval designers will not tell. That marks the adoption of a new policy in the American Navy where heretofore it has been customary to set out in smallest detail in the chief constructor's annual reports the thickness of every inch of armor on the ship. It is believed though that the side armor will average about twelve inches and that it will be extended over a length of the ship heretofore uncovered and will be much wider than the ordinary armor belt so as not to expose the under body of the ship when she rolls in a seaway.

It will take more than a thousand men to man these great fighting machines; the minimum requirement is sixty officers and 954 enlisted men. The estimated cost of the ship complete is \$6,000,000 as fixed in the Act of May 13th, 1908. Her keel was laid March 5th, 1909, so that the naval constructors have reason to be proud of the rapidity with which they have carried on their work.

LORNA MCKINSTRY DIED

YESTERDAY NEAR VAUGHN

Telegraphic word came this morning that little Miss Lorna McKinstry, the nine year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. McKinstry, died last night at 7:30, near Vaughn, N. M. The message came from Albuquerque and it is presumed the body was taken on to that place to be prepared for shipment. The parents will arrive tomorrow evening, bringing the body to Roswell, and the funeral will be held Saturday morning at ten o'clock from the Dilleys parlors. Elder George Fowler will be in charge. Interment will follow at South Side cemetery.

The little girl was taken from Roswell yesterday morning, her parents starting for Latholm, near San Diego, Calif., seeking the benefit of the low altitude for their daughter, who was a sufferer with heart trouble. She had been ill for some time, but her condition was not considered immediately dangerous. The little girl was a member of Mrs. Fowler's class in the Christian Sunday school and had many friends among the children of both day and Sunday schools. Her death is deeply regretted, and many friends extend sympathy to the parents.

Everyone interested in music is invited to the First Baptist church Saturday evening at seven thirty to meet Mr. E. O. Sellars, musical director and soloist. Come and join the chorus under his leadership.

The Wool Market

St. Louis, Mo., May 12.—Wool unchanged Territory and western mediums, 20@25; fine mediums, 18@22; fine, 11@16.

"THE WORLD MOVEMENT"

Berlin, Germany, May 12.—Theodore Roosevelt delivered his lecture today on "The World Movement" at the University of Berlin and received the university honorary degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

Emperor William was present. It was the first time the Emperor has graced a conference with his presence and the courtesy is significant in view of the fact that the German court is in mourning for King Edward. Mr. Roosevelt appeared rugged and in the pink of physical condition. His voice was husky at first, but soon gained in clearness and power.

"Today I am in Berlin University," began the speaker. "Yesterday I was in the open air university of the German army and at the feet of the great master of that university."

Berlin, May 12.—Speaking before the University of Berlin today Colonel Roosevelt took as the subject matter of his lecture "The World Movement."

"The World Movement," "The play of new forces is as evident in the moral and spiritual world as in the world of the mind and the body. Forces for good and forces for evil are everywhere evident, each acting with a hundred or a thousand fold the intensity with which it acted in former ages. Over the whole earth the swing of the pendulum grows more and more rapid. The main-spring coils and spreads at a rate constantly quickening, the whole world movement is of constantly accelerating velocity."

"In this movement there are signs of much that bodes ill. The machinery is so highly geared, the tension and strain are so great, the effort and the output have alike so increased, that there is cause to dread the ruin that would come from any great accident, from any breakdown, and also the ruin that may come from the mere wearing out of the machine itself. The only previous civilization with which our modern civilization can be in any way compared is that period of Graeco-Roman civilization extending, say, from the Athens of Themistocles to the Rome of Marcus Aurelius. Many of the forces and tendencies which are taken at work are at work now. Knowledge, luxury and refinement, wide material conquests, territorial administration on a vast scale, an increase in the mastery of mechanical appliances and of applied science—all these mark our civilization as the wonderful civilization that flourished in the Mediterranean lands twenty centuries ago; and they preceded the downfall of the older civilization. Yet the differences are many, and some of them are quite as striking as the similarities. The single fact that the old civilization was based upon slavery shows that the chasm that separates the two. Let me point out one further and very significant difference in the development of the two civilizations, a difference so obvious that it is astonishing that it has not been dwelt upon by men of letters. "One of the prime dangers of civilization has always been its tendency to cause the loss of the virile fighting virtues of the fighting age. When men get too comfortable and lead too luxurious lives there is always danger less the softness eat like an acid into their manliness of fiber. The barbarian, because of the very conditions of his life, is forced to keep and develop certain hardy qualities which the man of civilization tends to lose, whether he be clerk, factory hand, merchant, or even a certain type of farmer. Now I will not assert that in modern civilized society these tendencies have been wholly overcome; but there has been a much more successful effort to overcome them than was the case in the early civilizations. "What is the lesson to us today? Are we to go the way of the older civilizations? The immense increase in the multitudinous variety of activities, the immense increase in the velocity of the world movement—are all these to mean merely that

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CLASS DAY HUMOROUS

Class Day is the time when the graduates turn themselves loose and have a real, jolly, good time. It is the hour when the spirits of fun and good humor, that have been imprisoned all through the dignity of other commencement events, are freed; and the boys and girls reflect the many good times that have been had all through the school year. It is on this occasion that the good-fellowship of the class comes out in its fullness. It and the outside world obtains a glimpse of real pleasure of the High School life. So were the Class Day exercises of the Roswell High School Class of 1910, at the Southern M. E. church last night.

The graduates had everything their way. Nobody but a graduate had any place on the program. It was strictly their night. All members were on an equality and the spirit of the affair was merely a frolic for the class itself. The audience, although so big it packed the church was merely incidental to the evening.

The opening number, a piano duet by Misses Orpha Beck and Jane Carson, was much enjoyed. They played "Waltz" by Nicodemus. Then came an amusing part of the program, in fact one of the best stunts of this kind ever pulled off in Roswell. It was farce comedy entitled, "The Last Faculty Meeting," in which the graduates took the parts of the members of the faculty, Superintendent Brasher and Mr. Stevens, who it seems has been an attendant at many of the faculty meetings. The graduates "took off" the members of the faculty in clever style, showing that they had closely studied their mannerisms, form of speech, etc. The question before the meeting was as to whether the faculty should give the graduates their diplomas. Three members voted "yes" and three "no" and Supt. Brasher cast the deciding vote "yes" to get rid of them.

Following was the cast of characters: Prof. Brasher, Dillard Wyatt; Mr. Dickey, Cecil Bonney; Mr. Simpson, Kenneth Brewster; Mr. Stevens, William Plunkett; Miss Morse, Sadie Fairchild; Miss Blakey, Gertrude Rabb; Miss North, Mary Cooper; Miss Atkinson, Susie Kennedy. Messrs. Kenneth Brewster and Dixon Dyrast then contributed a vocal duet, "In Pauly Land," a clever ditty on High School days.

Willis Anderson had an original recitation, advisory in its nature but ridiculous throughout. This likewise, was clever and highly entertaining.

Miss Lora Goodwin gave the class history. It brought out many little things that would probably be left out if someone ever writes a history of the Roswell High School; but they were all of the keenest interest to the "nineteen-tensers," and her paper will be preserved in the archives.

Elmer Dimmitt then read what was declared to be the best class prophecy ever given in the Roswell High School. He returned to Roswell after many years and found every member of the class, or heard of him, or her, and found what each was doing. The whole thing had an air of naturalness that made it very entertaining and the prophecies were altogether pleasant.

The senior quartette composed of Misses Ruth Menden and Grace Carper, and Messrs. Stanley Norvell and Earl Chamberlain, then sang "School Days of the Past," which had a strong bearing on the events of school life, and was artistically presented. Being of a serious nature, this song only put variety in the program.

Miss Olive Hadder gave a recitation that was first class. It was the only part of the program that was not "home grown," but was in the spirit of the evening, and was thoroughly enjoyed, being decidedly humorous and well given.

Tom Hall had an address on "The Juniors," and he "took off" every member of the Junior class with com-

ments that touched the spot every time. It was a very artful composition and created much fun.

Dixon Dyrast, the class poet, then read the class poem, and like a great many of his compositions, the poem last night was declared splendid, the vote of the audience being unanimous. The concluding number was an original song written by the class poet and sung by the class. It was entitled "Leaving Tonight," written in the meter and song to the tune of "Tenting To-night." It was a serious vein and showed that the Seniors had a pang of sorrow at leaving the school in which they had spent so many happy days.

The Eighth Grade promotion exercises at the Baptist church tonight are open to the public and all are cordially invited. Following is the program:

- 1.—Song, "Jubilate" (Parker) by the class.
- 2.—Oration, The Electoral College, Charles Hardwick.
- 3.—Piano Solo, "The Butterfly" (Lavalley) Mary Lee.
- 4.—Declamation, "A Strange Patriot" Allen Bruce.
- 5.—Piano Duet, "March of the Gypsies" (Leon Dequin) Marjorie Macbie, Gladys Wright.
- 6.—Oration—"The Commission Form of City Government, Ralph Warren.
- 7.—Class Poem, Clara Tillotson.
- 8.—Piano Solo, "Polish Dance" (Scharwenka) Ruby Bean.
- 9.—Essay, Domestic Science, Anna Armstrong.
- 10.—Violin Solo, "Valse Valance" (Papini) Willard Prager.
- 11.—Reading—"The Fire Fiend," Laurette Destree.
- 12.—Song, (a) "The Schell" (Schubert), (b) "Hunting Song" (McDonald.) By the Girls Chorus.
- 13.—Essay, What Commencement Means to Me, Annie Forstad.
- 14.—Reading "Lasca" Gladys Tucker.
- 15.—Essay Colonial Life, Mary L. White.
- 16.—Class Prophecy, Elmer Rose and Lewis Jones.
- 17.—Song, "Speed On" (Marshall) by Class.
- 18.—Delivery Diplomas, Supt. M. H. Brasher and Prin. D. N. Pope.
- 19.—Delivery J. S. Kirby's Scholarship prize to High Eighth Grade, Prin. D. N. Pope and Miss Lela Howat, Teachers.

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BANDITS HOLD UP SEATTLE CAR AND PASSENGERS.

Seattle, May 12.—Three highwaymen held up a car on the South Park line of the Seattle Electric Company shortly after one o'clock this morning and escaped with money and other valuables estimated at between fifteen hundred and two thousand dollars.

Twenty passengers were on the car when the bandits boarded it just after it left the business section of the city. The bandits remained quietly seated until the car stopped at Spokane avenue when, suddenly drawing revolvers, they lined up the passengers, the conductor and the motor-man. One man took the valuables as one by one the passengers stepped forward.

The Kansas City Stock Market.

Kansas City, Mo., May 12.—Cattle receipts, 4,000, including 1,000 south-erns. Market steady. Native steers, 5.75@8.25; southern steers, 4.75@7.75; southern cows, 3.40@6.00; native cows and heifers, 3.75@7.40; stockers and feeders, 4.00@6.25; bulls 4.25@6.25; calves 4.00@8.00; western steers, 5.50@8.00; western cows, 4.00@6.50.

Hog receipts, 11,000. Market weak to 5 cents lower. Bulk of sales, 9.25@9.45; heavy, 9.40@9.55; packers and butchers, 9.35@9.50; light, 9.15@9.40; pigs, 8.50@9.00.

Sheep receipts, 5,000. Market steady. Muttons, 5.50@7.50; lambs, 7.25@9.00; fed western wethers and yearlings, 6.00@8.00; fed western ewes, 5.50@7.00.

DROWNED IN MISSISSIPPI

St. Louis, May 12.—Thirteen persons, seven of them passengers, lost their lives in the Mississippi river last night as the result of the packet steamer City of Saltillo striking a rock last night and foundering in a reach of the shore at Glen Park, twenty-four miles south of St. Louis. Only one body was recovered, that of Mrs. Isaac T. Rhea of Nashville. Another of the dead is Miss Ann Rhea also of Nashville.

The river is being dragged. The boat left St. Louis last night with twenty-seven passengers, a crew of thirty and a heavy cargo. The river is high and filled with driftwood by the annual spring rise. Near Glen Park she encountered a shoreward draw and in spite of the frantic efforts of the pilots and engineers, turned completely around and swung on to the hidden rock. She soon sank in twenty feet of water. The collision and sinking was so sudden the passengers had no time to get life preservers.

The dead women were the wife and daughter of Isaac T. Rhea, president of the St. Louis and Tennessee river Packet Company, the owners of the boat.

Many Miners Die in England.
Manchester, Eng., May 12.—An explosion in the Wellington coal mine at Whitehaven last night entombed one hundred and thirty-six miners.

A rescue party today reached four of the men but were prevented by

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gas from reaching the point where the most of the men are imprisoned. There is every indication that the inner workings of the mine are on fire.

The colliery is owned by the Earl of Loonsdale and the working extend five miles beneath the sea.

The spot where the men are imprisoned is about three miles from the main exit.

A BEFORE THE WAR ROMANCE

ENDS NOW IN MARRIAGE.

Stamford, Conn., May 12.—A typical old-fashioned New England romance of half a century's duration culminated today in the marriage of Miss Emily Brown, a Stamford school teacher, to Norman Provost. The courtship began before the civil war. The two were sweethearts when the war broke out and Mr. Provost enlisted in the union army. They have been engaged ever since but have postponed their marriage from time to time for various reasons.

ROOSEVELT WILL MAKE A

POLITICAL SPEECH JUNE 22.

Cincinnati, May 12.—According to a letter from John Hays Hammond, president of the National League of Republican Clubs, Colonel Roosevelt will make his first political speech since he left the White House on June 22 at the biennial meeting of the clubs at New York City.

Judge Wm. H. Pope will go to Carizozo Saturday morning hold court there Saturday night and return Sunday morning.

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU.

(Local Report. Observation Taken at 6:00 a. m.)

Roswell, N. M., May 12.—Temperature, max. 88; min. 54; mean 71; precipitation, 0; wind, dir. SE, veloc. 6; weather clear.

Comparative temperature data, extremes this date last year, max. 87; min. 46; extremes this date 16 years' record, max. 98, 1899; min. 38, 1895.

Forecast for Roswell and vicinity: Partly cloudy with local showers tonight or Friday.

HOT WEATHER IS ON

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